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PERSONNEL CHANGES

1. SUMMARY: SEVERAL SENIOR LEVEL PERSONNEL CHANGES IN  
MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY WERE ANNOUNCED  
AND BECAME EFFECTIVE JUNE 20.

IN THE NEW LINE-UP MR. SHIGERU KOINO WAS NAMED VICE  
MINISTER AND MR. TOSHIKAZU HASHIMOTO DEPUTY VICE MINISTER.  
VIRTUALLY ALL UPPER LEVEL OFFICIALS CONCERNED WITH JOINT  
U.S.-JAPAN TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE (TFC) HAVE BEEN  
REPLACED WITH FORMER INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION  
BUREAU DIR GENERAL NISHIYAMA RETIRING AND INTERNATIONAL  
TRADE POLICY AND BUREAU DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL HANAOKA  
BEING DETAILED TO THE BANK OF JAPAN POLICY BOARD. EFFECT,  
IF ANY, SHIFT WILL HAVE UPON BILATERAL TRADE MATTERS IN  
TFC AND TRADE STUDY GROUP IS NOT YET CLEAR. END SUMMARY.

2. ON JUNE 20 THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND  
INDUSTRY ANNOUNCED A LARGE NUMBER OF PERSONNEL REASSIGN-  
MENTS. THOSE OF MOST INTEREST ARE LISTED BELOW, WITH  
POSITION ORDER FOLLOWING THAT SHOWN IN 1977/78 MITI HAND-  
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BOOK, WITH ALL NAMES SHOWN WESTERN STYLE, SURNAME LAST.

A. ADMINISTRATIVE VICE MINISTER - SHIGERU KOINO REPLACES  
TOSHINOBU WADA (RETIRED).

B. VICE MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS - TOSHIKAZU  
HASHIMOTO REPLACES MINORU MASUDA (RETIRED).

C. DEPUTY VICE MINISTER FOR ADMINISTRATION - ICHIRO  
FUJIWARA REPLACES SHIRO MIYAMOTO.

D. DIRECTOR-GENERAL, INTERNATIONAL TRADE POLICY BUREAU-  
HIRO MIYAMOTO REPLACES TOSHIHIKO YANO.

E. DIRECTOR-GENERAL, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION  
BUREAU - TERUAKI MIZUNOUE REPLACES KEIJIRO NISHIYAMA  
(RETIRED).

F. DIRECTOR-GENERAL, INDUSTRY POLICY BUREAU - TOSHIHIKO  
YANO REPLACES SHIGERU KOINO.

G. DIRECTOR-GENERAL, BASIC INDUSTRIES BUREAU - YUSAKU  
ONAGA REPLACES NAOHIRO AMAYA.

H. DIRECTOR-GENERAL, CONSUMER GOODS INDUSTRIES BUREAU -  
SHOHEI KURIHARA REPLACES ICHIRO FUJIWARA.

I. DIRECTOR-GENERAL, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES AGENCY -  
TOMOSABURO SAKON REPLACES FUMITAKE KISHIDA (RETIRED).

J. DIRECTOR-GENERAL, AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND  
ENERGY - NAOHIRO AMAYA REPLACES TOSHIKAZU HASHIMOTO.

K. DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL, INTERNATIONAL TRADE POLICY  
BUREAU - KIYOSHI TAKAHASHI REPLACES SOSUKE HANAOKA  
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(TRANSFERRED TO BANK OF JAPAN POLICY COMMITTEE).

3. ORIGINAL GOJ CO-CHAIRMAN OF TFC'S TOKYO GROUP, SOSUKE  
HANAOKA, WAS DETAILED TO ECONOMIC PLANNING AGENCY TO SERVE  
AS MITI-EPA REPRESENTATIVE ON BANK OF JAPAN POLICY BOARD.  
HE WAS REPLACED AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL, INTERNATIONAL  
TRADE POLICY BUREAU BY KIYOSHI TAKAHASHI, WHO HAD SERVED  
SINCE 1977 AS DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC  
DIVISION IN THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE POLICY BUREAU, WHERE  
HE WAS PRIMARILY CONCERNED WITH THE MTN. BORN 1926 AND  
GRADUATED IN 1952 FROM TOKYO UNIVERSITY (LAW) TAKAHASHI  
ENTERED MITI IN 1952, SERVED AS STAFF MEMBER IN INTERNATION-  
AL TRADE, TEXTILES, AND HEAVY INDUSTRIES BUREAUS 1952-63;  
AT JAPANESE EMBASSY, PARIS, 1963-67; AS DIRECTOR OF  
VARIOUS DIVISIONS IN MINING, CHEMICAL INDUSTRY, AND  
BASIC INDUSTRIES BUREAU AND SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISE  
AGENCY, 1967-73; PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, 1973-  
76, AND MINISTER'S SECRETARIAT, 1976-77.

4. WITH KEIJIRO NISHIYAMA RETIRING AS DIRECTOR-GENERAL,  
INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION BUREAU, MEMBERSHIP  
IN THE TFC'S SENIOR REVIEW COMMITTEE PASSES TO SUCCESSOR  
TERUAKI MIZUNOUE. BORN 1927 AND A 1950 GRADUATE OF

HIROSHIMA UNIVERSITY (MATHEMATICS) MIZUNOUE ENTERED MITI IN 1950, HELD VARIETY OF STAFF POSITIONS IN MITI 1950-60; SERVED AS DIVISION DIRECTOR IN MITI'S NAGOYA OFFICE 1960-1965; AS CONSUL AT JAPANESE CONSULATE-GENERAL, SYDNEY, 1966-70; HAD SUCCESSION OF DIVISION DIRECTOR POSITIONS IN CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES, HEAVY INDUSTRY, AND MACHINERY AND INFORMATION INDUSTRIES BUREAUS, 1970-74; COUNSELLOR, LAND AGENCY, 1974-76; DIRECTOR-GENERAL, RESEARCH & STATISTICS DEPARTMENT, JUNE 1976-JANUARY 1977; AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL, MACHINERY AND INFORMATION INDUSTRIES BUREAU, JANUARY 1977-JUNE 29, 1978.

5. BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON OTHER KEY OFFICIALS FOLLOWS.

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ADDITIONAL DETAILS MAY BE FOUND IN THE MITI OFFICIALS PROFILE SECTION OF THE MITI 1977/78 HANDBOOK, COPIES OF WHICH WERE TRANSMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT IN APRIL 1977.

A. SHIGEUR KOINO - BORN 1925, GRADUATE OF TOKYO UNIVERSITY LAW FACULTY IN 1947; JOINED MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER. SERVED IN THE JAPANESE EMBASSY TAIPEI 1966-68; HEAVY INDUSTRIES BUREAU 1970-71; MINISTERS SECRETARIAT 1971-73; DIRECTOR-GENERAL, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION BUREAU 1973-74; DEPUTY VICE MINISTER FOR ADMINISTRATION 1974-76; DIRECTOR-GENERAL, INDUSTRIAL POLICY BUREAU JULY 1976-JUNE 1978. IN LATTER POSITION KOINO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF LONG RANGE INDUSTRIAL STRUCTURE POLICY, INCLUDING NEW LAW FOR RE-STRUCTURING DEPRESSED INDUSTRIES. ON ASSUMING VICE-MINISTER POSITION, KOINO TOLD PRESS THAT DRAMATIC CHANGES IN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC MILIEU CALL FOR A FIRM LONG-

TERM, ECONOMIC POLICY. "(THIS) AGE OF DRAMATIC CHANGES AND TURBULENCE...CHALLENGES OUR ECONOMIC POLICY. WE HAVE TO WORK OUT A FIRM, LONG-RANGE ECONOMIC POLICY TO COPE WITH THE GROWING DIFFICULTY." HE HOPED MITI WOULD TAKE THE LEAD, ALTHOUGH RECOGNIZING THE COMPLEXITIES OF TODAY'S ECONOMY ARE SUCH THAT MITI ALONE CANNOT SOLVE

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ALL THE PROBLEMS.

B. TOSHIKAZU HASHIMOTO, BORN 1921, GRADUATE TOKYO UNIVERSITY LAW DEPARTMENT 1944, JOINED MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY DECEMBER 1947 AND IN RECENT YEARS SERVED IN THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE POLICY BUREAU, TEXTILES BUREAU, INDUSTRY SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES BUREAU, CHEMICALS INDUSTRIES BUREAU AND MINISTERS SECRETARIAT. HE WAS NAMED DIRECTOR-GENERAL, CONSUMER GOODS INDUSTRIES BUREAU JULY 1973; IN NOVEMBER 1974 HE BECAME DIRECTOR-GENERAL, INTERNATIONAL TRADE POLICY BUREAU BEFORE MOVING IN JULY 1976 TO AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY AS DIRECTOR-GENERAL. ASIDE FROM SHORT TRIPS, HE HAS NOT HAD OVERSEAS EXPERIENCE IN MITI.

C. SHIRO MIYAMOTO, NEW DIRECTOR-GENERAL, INTERNATIONAL TRADE POLICY BUREAU, WAS BORN 1923, GRADUATED FROM TOKYO UNIVERSITY (LAW) AND ENTERED MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY IN 1948. AFTER SERVICE IN VARIOUS STAFF LEVEL JOBS FROM 1948 TO 1964, HE HEADED DIVISIONS IN TEXTILE BUREAU, TRADE PROMOTION BUREAU AND ENTERPRISE BUREAU, 1964-70. HE WAS DIRECTOR-GENERAL, PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, 1970-72, HELD DIVISION DIRECTOR POSTS IN ENTERPRISE BUREAU AND SECRETARIAT, 1972 AND 1973; SECRETARIAT COUNCILLOR 1974; DIRECTOR-GENERAL, INDUSTRIAL LOCATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BUREAU, 1975; AND DEPUTY VICE-MINISTER FOR ADMINISTRATION, 1976.

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